Title I Schoolwide Activities Set-Aside – IDEA Entitlement Funding

What is meant by "Title I Schoolwide Activities Set-Aside"?

Under IDEA 2004, LEAs are allowed to set aside a portion of their Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA) Part B allocation to support activities in a Title I schoolwide program under section 1114 of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act (ESEA) (34 CFR §300.206).

Optional IDEA Title I schoolwide fund set-asides must be calculated and expended at the school level. The funding that may be set-aside is based on the fiscal year. Any unspent funds earmarked for Title I schoolwide activities are returned to the LEA's general IDEA entitlement pot at the end of the fiscal year.

Students with disabilities attending the schoolwide school must continue to receive services in accordance with properly developed IEPs and must be afforded all of the rights and services guaranteed to children with disabilities under IDEA.

Which LEAs may use this optional set-aside?

For each fiscal year, only those LEAs that have DPI-approved Title I schoolwide schools may set aside a portion of their IDEA Part B allocation to support Title I schoolwide activities. This list is maintained by the Title I and School Support team.

What are the allowable costs for IDEA funds used to support Title I schoolwide activities?

IDEA funds may be used in a schoolwide program to support approved action strategies in the LEA's program plan. LEAs may use IDEA-Title I Schoolwide set-aside funds in the manner they choose, as long as they engage in reform strategies that increase the amount and quality of learning time and help provide a high-quality curriculum for all children. However, as these are federal grant funds, the costs must always be reasonable and necessary in accordance with the Office of Management and Budget's <u>Circular A-87</u>.

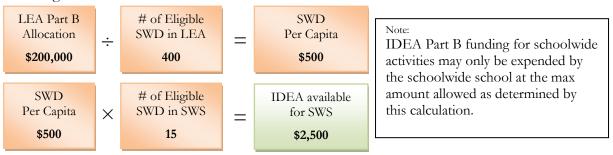
The following is an example of supporting Title I schoolwide activities: The LEA has identified four days of summer school per week that will be funded with Title I dollars. The max amount of IDEA funds allowed to be set-aside for a schoolwide school is enough to add a fifth half-day to the summer school week at the schoolwide school. The LEA is using IDEA funds to support an existing Title I schoolwide activity.

How is the set-aside calculated?

IDEA contains the calculation that must be used by LEAs to determine the amount of IDEA Part B funding that maybe set-aside to support Title I schoolwide activities. The calculation is:

Part B Allocation (611 + 619) *divided by* the number of eligible students with disabilities (SWD) in the LEA's jurisdiction *multiplied by* the number of eligible students with disabilities (SWD) enrolled in schoolwide program at the schoolwide school.

Below is a diagram of this calculation:



How can we be sure we are setting aside the correct amount?

Use the IDEA-Title I Schoolwide Set-Aside calculators (http://sped.dpi.wi.gov/sped_grt-title1-setaside) to determine the max amount that may be set-aside for the schoolwide school for a given fiscal year.

The calculator asks the user to identify the schoolwide school. For each fiscal year, the user must enter the number of students with disabilities eligible for special education services in the LEA's jurisdiction as of October 1 and the number of students with disabilities eligible for special education services that are participating in the schoolwide program (attending the schoolwide school) as of October 1. Once these numbers are entered, the calculator determines the per pupil amount as well as the max amount that may be used at the schoolwide school from each of the available funding sources.

LEA TITLE I SCHOOLWIDE SET-ASIDE USING IDEA FUNDS CALCULATOR FOR FISCAL YEAR 2012-2013

District and Eligible Title I Schoolwide School	Total number of children eligible for special education in the LEA's jurisdiction ages 3 to 21 as of Oct. 1, 2012*	Total number of children eligible for special education attending this school as of Oct. 1, 2012*
Hayward Community - Hayward Intermediate (0110)	1,911	60

Part B IDEA Allocation Flow-through (611) + Preschool (619)	Average IDEA Allocation per Eligible Child	Max amount of IDEA funds that may be expended at <u>this</u> school to support schoolwide activities	This amount only available until
\$426,511	\$223	\$13,391	June 30, 2013
Calculation:	\$426,5	11 / 1,911 = \$223 * 60 = \$13,391	
			Copy and paste this calculation into the detailed description of
			the appropriate budge

How do we identify Title I schoolwide activity costs in the IDEA budget?

If the LEA has eligible schoolwide schools for a fiscal year, the IDEA budget software will contain an extra object called "Title I Schoolwide" in the object menu of a budget:

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Budget Menu --> Submit Ock Budget --> Personnel --> Purchased Services --> Non-Capital Objects --> Capital Objects --> Insurance --> Other
Objects --> Title I Schoolwide --> Summary Report --> Submission History
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The flow-through and preschool budgets will contain the object of "Title I Schoolwide" for eligible LEAs. There is only one activity and one function available for IDEA-Title I schoolwide activities: "Title I Schoolwide Activities" with the undifferentiated curriculum function of "110 000." The funding will be coded to Fund 10. Each eligible school that wishes to expend IDEA funds on Title I schoolwide activities must be documented. Each eligible school must have its own budget line. The budget record looks like this:

Schoolwide Section - Flow-through				
Title I Schoolwide Activities	WUFAR & Description:	110000-Undifferentiated Curriculum		
	School Name:	G		
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		Add		
	Title I Schoolwide Activities	Title I Schoolwide Activities WUFAR & Description: School Name:		

Activity: Only one choice "Title I Schoolwide Activities"

WUFAR & Description: Only one choice "110000-Undifferentiated Curriculum"

Local WUFAR Detail: Optional for the LEA's use

School Name: Identify the school number and school name. The IDEA-Title I Schoolwide Set-Aside calculator (http://sped.dpi.wi.gov/sped_grt-title1-setaside) lists a school's DPI assigned school name and number. Be sure that you are using the appropriate calculator for the fiscal year being budgeted.

Estimated Cost: Cannot be more than the max amount allowed to be set-aside for the identified schoolwide school. Use the IDEA-Title I Schoolwide Set-Aside calculator (http://sped.dpi.wi.gov/sped_grt-title1-setaside) to determine the max amount that may be set-aside for the schoolwide school. Be sure that you are using the appropriate calculator for the fiscal year being budgeted.

Detailed Description: PLEASE NOTE! Enter the school's set-aside calculation into the detailed description. Use the IDEA-Title I Schoolwide Set-Aside calculator (http://sped.dpi.wi.gov/sped_grt-title1-setaside) to determine the max amount that may be set-aside for the schoolwide school. Be sure that you are using the appropriate calculator for the fiscal year being budgeted.

How do we account for these funds?

IDEA funds set aside to support Title I schoolwide activities must be budgeted and expended at the school level. The activities are coded in Fund 10. The object in the budget software (and then the claim) has a dummy object number of 000. The LEA's accounts, however, should have the appropriate object(s) for which the IDEA funds are being used. The project number will always be the appropriate federal grant project number – for flow-through this number is 341. For preschool the project number is 347. Grant revenue received for Title I Schoolwide Activities is coded in Fund 10.

LEAs must document location and use of IDEA funds used to support Title I schoolwide activities. IDEA funds used to support Title I schoolwide activities will be subject to DPI's IDEA fiscal monitoring.

What time and effort records must be kept for staff funded with IDEA-Title I schoolwide funds?

Time and effort records must be kept in accordance with OMB Circular A-87. Individuals working on a Title I schoolwide plan are considered to have a single work objective and would need to complete semi-annual certifications, which can either be signed by the staff person or a supervisor with first-hand knowledge of the work being done (such as a principal). For additional information on required time and effort reporting, view the technical assistance available at http://sped.dpi.wi.gov/sped_grant-time-effort

IDEA Regulations Regarding Title I Schoolwide Set-Aside Funds

- § 300.206 Schoolwide programs under Title I of the ESEA.
- (a) General. Notwithstanding the provisions of §§ 300.202 and 300.203 or any other provision of Part B of the Act, an LEA may use funds received under Part B of the Act for any fiscal year to carry out a schoolwide program under section 1114 of the ESEA, except that the amount used in any schoolwide program may not exceed—
 - (1)(i) The amount received by the LEA under Part B of the Act for that fiscal year; divided by
 - (ii) The number of children with disabilities in the jurisdiction of the LEA; and multiplied by
 - (2) The number of children with disabilities participating in the schoolwide program.
- (b) Funding conditions. The funds described in paragraph (a) of this section are subject to the following conditions:
 - (1) The funds must be considered as Federal Part B funds for purposes of the calculations required by § 300.202(a)(2) and (a)(3).
 - (2) The funds may be used without regard to the requirements of \(\) 300.202(a)(1).
- (c) Meeting other Part B requirements. Except as provided in paragraph (b) of this section, all other requirements of Part B of the Act must be met by an LEA using Part B funds in accordance with paragraph (a) of this section, including ensuring that children with disabilities in schoolwide program schools—
 - (1) Receive services in accordance with a properly developed IEP; and
 - (2) Are afforded all of the rights and services guaranteed to children with disabilities under the Act.

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Document Location: http://sped.dpi.wi.gov/files/sped/pdf/idea-schoolwide-ta.pdf

Additional Resources: http://titleone.dpi.wi.gov/ttlone schoolwide